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Customer No. 22882

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of: )  
Gary K. Michelson )  
Serial No.: 10/090,506 )  
Filed: February 27, 2002 )  
For: MILLING INSTRUMENTATION AND )  
METHOD FOR PREPARING A )  
SPACE BETWEEN ADJACENT )  
VERTEBRAL BODIES )

Confirmation No.: 7817

Group Art Unit: 3731  
Examiner: Uyen Ho

Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action dated December 18, 2003, the period for reply having been extended for three (3) months by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

Amendment 6-18-04